

**Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners  
District #1  
P.O. Box 267  
New Egypt, New Jersey 08533**

**MINUTES  
October 21<sup>st</sup> 2024**

The regular meeting of the Plumsted Township Board of Fire Commissioners was held on Monday October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Brady announced that the notice of his meeting was contained in the annual meeting schedule furnished to The Trenton Times, and The Trentonian. Posted on the Municipal bulletin board and filed with the municipal clerk.

The Meeting was brought to order at 7:00 pm

**PRESENT:** Robert Brady, Kent Amburgey, Bill Pippen, and Kenneth Hagen

**ABSENT:** John Gaskill

**ALSO PRESENT:** Richard Braslow, Neil Braslow via phone, Suzy Heller and Jackie DiPietro

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Kent Amburgey to approve minutes. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Hagen-yes, Amburgey-yes, and Pippen-yes

**TREASURERS' REPORT:** Motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Kent Amburgey to approve treasurers' report.

Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Hagen-yes, Amburgey-yes, and Pippen-yes

A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Bill Pippen to adopt the Fire Commissioner Compensation resolution. Resolution was passed with the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes, Gaskill-absent, Hagen-yes and Pippen-yes

Discussed ongoing issue with bills going to Joe Paolo for his benefits. Suzy has tried on numerous occasions contacting the state for help.

A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Bill Pippen to adopt Chapter 48 resolution. Resolution was

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**OLD BUSINESS:** The following were discussed:

- Pilot Program Funds- need list of needs

**BUDGET:** Jackie DiPietro presented the 2023 Audit. A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Bill Phippen to adopt a resolution to adopt the 2023 audit. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes Gaskill-absent, Hagen-yes and Phippen-yes

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**CHIEF REPORT:** The following report was given by Chief Rick Byrne:

- Received 5 gallon of chemical free spray made from Soy Beans to try by NJ Soy Bean Commission
- Would like to hire Per Diem Grant Taylor- board approved

**EMS REPORT:** The following report was presented by EMS Captain Jodi Byrne:

- Will be purchasing mattresses soon

**LEA REPORT:** The following report was presented by Mitch Remig:

- Ordinance sent to the township for review
- Pre Plan program- waiting for some communication issues to be worked out
- Insurance billing resolution- A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Bill Phippen to adopt the Insurance billing resolution. Resolution was adopted by the following roll call: Amburgey-yes, Brady-yes, Gaskill-absent, Hagen-yes and Phippen-yes
- Fire prevention has been completed at the school everyone was pleased. Have some left-over handouts to disperse when needed throughout the year.
- Inspection program Performa received
- Car fire on 10/19/24- no injuries, investigation complete

**ENGINEER REPORT:** The following report was presented by Kevin Panacek:

- PM's are almost completed
- Parts are in for ladder, waiting for appointment date

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** A motion was made by Ken Hagen and seconded by Bill Phippen to adopt a resolution to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Resolution was adopted with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Hagen-yes, Amburgey-yes, Gaskill-absent and Phippen-yes

**PUBLIC:** Bernard Bahnam thanked everyone for the great fire prevention program at the school, his son was very excited about it.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Kent Amburgey and seconded by Bill Phippen to adjourn meeting. Motion was passed with the following roll call: Brady-yes, Hagan-yes, Amburgey-yes, Gaskill- absent, and Phippen-yes

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted;

Barbara Brady  
Secretary